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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

. Please amend the claims as follows:

1-13. (Canceled)

length.

14. (Previously Presented) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:

a plurality of waste threads of a natural fiber forming a web of a predetermined weight,
wherein a consistency and a rigidity of the web are provided by a purified water spray at
high pressure and subsequent removal of moisture using high temperature, and
wherein said plurality of waste threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform

15. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm, and

wherein a weight of said web of waste threads is not less than about 35 grams per square meter.

- 16. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise a by-product of a spinning process.
- 17. (Original) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise pure cotton.

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18-20. (Canceled)

- 21. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a length in a range of between about 8 mm to about 18 mm.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said plurality of waste threads comprise non-allergenic natural fiber.
- 23. (Currently Amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers comprise a thickness of not greater than 4.5 micrograms per inch of fiber length micronaire.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein the fabric comprises a high absorption capacity.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 24, wherein said absorption capacity is in a range of about 15 times to about 16 times a weight of the fabric.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14, wherein said fibers are bound in a horizontal direction <u>planar to a plane of the web</u> and a transversal direction <u>perpendicular to the plane of the web</u>.

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- 27. (Previously Presented) A woven/non-woven fabric, comprising:
 - a plurality of threads of a fiber forming a web,
- wherein said plurality of threads comprises fibers having a substantially uniform length.
- 28. (Currently Amended) The woven/non-woven fabric as claimed in claim 14 +, wherein said web comprises a thickness in a range from 1 mm to 10 mm.